REMARKS

Claims 42-65, 71-74 and 79-104 are canceled, and claims 105-110 are added. Hence,

claims 1-41, 66-70, 75-78 and 105-110 are all the claims pending in the application.

Statement of Substance of Interview

Applicant thanks the Examiner for conducting an interview with the undersigned and Mr.

D. Honda on May 12, 2009. Each of the independent claims was discussed as was the prior art

(Yamaguchi and Nagashima). Applicant's representative also presented the claim amendments

set forth herein. The Examiner agreed that the prior art does not teach all the features of claims

as amended, and indicated that an updated prior art search would be performed once a response

to the Office Action is received.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claims 1-41, 55-79 and 80 – 104 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101. The claims are

either amended as discussed in the interview or canceled. Accordingly, the Examiner is

respectfully requested to withdraw the rejection.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claims 1-30, 33-39, 55-65, 71-74, 79-93 and 6-102 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

as being anticipated by Nagashima. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.

The claims are amended as discussed in the interview and the Examiner is respectfully

requested to withdraw the rejection. In particular, Nagashima does not disclose a plurality of

transmitters or a plurality of receivers. As such, Nagashima does not anticipate the claims.

Claims 1-41 and 55-104 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by

Yamaguchi. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.

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The claims are amended as discussed in the interview and the Examiner is respectfully

requested to withdraw the rejection. In particular, Yamaguchi does not disclose a plurality of

transmitters or a plurality of receivers. As such, Yamaguchi does not anticipate the claims.

New Claims

New claims 105 - 110 are added. It is respectfully submitted that these new dependent

claims are patentable for at least the same reasons as the claims from which they depend.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed

to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the

Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is

kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue

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overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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